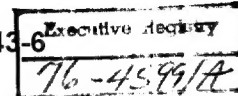


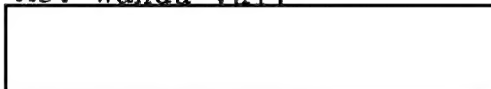
THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505



7 JAN 1977

Ms. Wanda Vail



Dear Ms. Vail,

Thank you for sending me so promptly the November/December edition of The Republican. We have read it with interest as many of the participants in the Awa Maru project are so well-known.

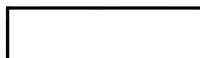
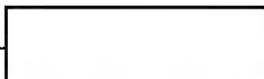
I share your interest in U.S.-China trade and your "Question for this Month" on diplomatic and trade relations with the PRC is a good way to approach the issue.

Sincerely,

/s/ George Bush

George Bush

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Attention: Mr. George Bush, Director


Dear Sir:

For the past several months The Republican Newspaper of California has had under consideration, a feature edition of The Republican dealing with US/China relations. It was decided that this subject would be the main theme of the December/January edition (enclosed).

We have been advised by Mr. William Bunton, President of Salvage and Diving International Corporation, Ltd., that you are in receipt of his proposal to The People's Republic of China for review and consideration.

Mr. Bunton's proposal is the subject of our lead story. We have noted a resurgence of interest in US/China trade and normalization of relations over the past few months. It is our hope that Mr. Bunton's dramatic story as carried in The Republican, will be helpful in expediting the achievement of improved trade relations in the near future.

Sincerely,


Wanda Vari
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I got some clarification from John Price of Manufacturers Hanover Corporation on the show and tell performance by Keegan.

John says it was held in the Pentagon just before Keegan retired. Price attended as a member of Panel (all of whom were cleared). The Panel is largely composed of outsiders who function as advisors to the Chief of Naval Operations and included some members of "B" Team such as Nitze, Tom Wolfe as well as Helmut Sonnenfeldt. The briefing lasted about 4 hours and the room was cleared of all staff personnel. Classified material and photos were used and the result was highly persuasive, according to Price.



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Jim:

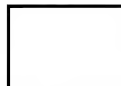
You mentioned a show and tell performance
by Keegan in NYC complete with pictures.
Is there- any way you can discretely
find out more about that meeting.

- a. when
- b. what kind of pix?

I am concerned about the use (unauthorized)
of classified information.

If it is possible I'd like to get the facts.

Best,

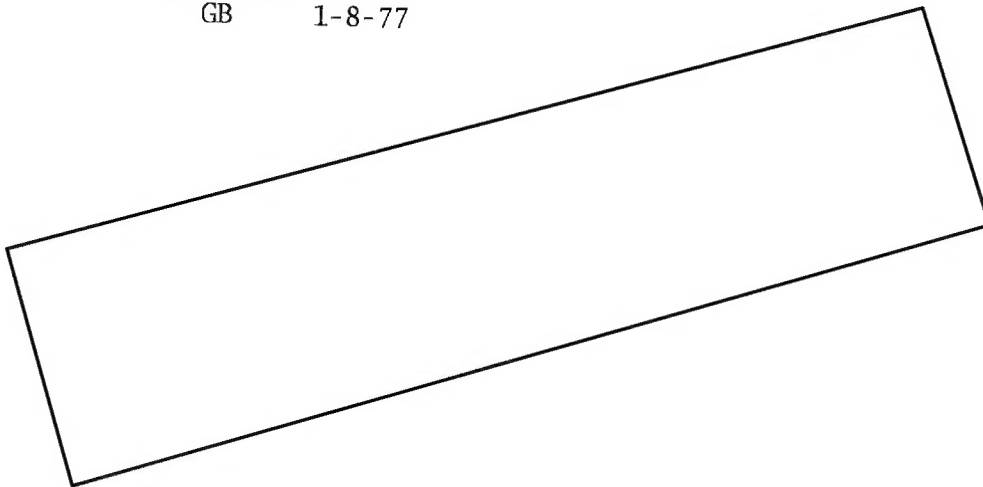


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